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COWARDS TRY TO INTIMIDATE COLORED DEMOCRATS

Would Frighten Them Away From the Polls By the Use of a Newspaper Threat

The Only Means By Which the Gops Hope to Bolster Up Their Tottering Cause

It has come to pass as was expected, that the gop city leaders in their desperation have adopted the snake method of attempting to intimidate the colored vote which has been steadily flowing to the Democratic ranks since the nomination of McIninch. The usual griot of promises (only to be broken after election) and blandishments have totally failed to bring the colored voters back to the McIninch camp, the last desperate expedient was tried out by the gop leaders on Tuesday, when every colored man who could be reached was sent through the mails a copy of The St. Joseph Gazette of Thursday, March 23, in which appeared this significant article carefully marked and displayed to instantly catch the eye of the colored voter addressed. It proclaimed:

K. K. K. TOLD BRUBAKER TO ASK DEATH PENALTY?

Delegation Called Prosecutor About Moore Case, Report

That the Ku Klux Klan is taking an active interest in the case of Allen Moore, who is charged with the murder of Chris Heller, a few weeks ago, was brought to light Wednesday when a delegation, all of whom are said to have been members of the local Klan, waited on Prosecuting Attorney Brubaker. It is said that the men demanded that the state make no compromise with the lawyers for the defense in the case. When asked Wednesday night as to whether such a delegation had called upon him and had made such demands Brubaker told a reporter for The Gazette that he had nothing to say.

An offer to plead guilty and accept a life sentence was made to Brubaker Wednesday by G. L. Zwick, attorney for Moore, according to courthouse attaches. It is also said that Brubaker, after consulting the widow of the murdered man and Lewis F. Randolph, assistant prosecutor, refused to consider the proposition, saying that he would demand the death penalty.

This cowardly attempt to intimidate the Democratic colored voters of St. Joseph, is on a line with the tactics employed in Tulsa, Okla., several years ago, when a negro named Merriam was brutally treated by Republican ghoulies who all but murdered him because he was a democrat. St. Joseph colored Democrats will show that they cannot be intimidated by such cowardly tactics and will show their resentment at the polls Tuesday.

The Sphinx Spoke 1-50

There was great amusement at the big rally at Patee Market Monday night, where over six hundred men and women had gathered to hear the Democratic orators, when Louis Sigall announced that "Bones Morris, Morgan and Philley" had finally allowed the sphinx to speak and it just required one minute and fifty seconds to tell all that he had to say. He also said that when the voters "read what he said in Bones Morris and Brer Golding's republican papers it would be much longer" and it was. He also proved to the satisfaction of his enthusiastic hearers that McIninch represented the Chamber of Commerce and the corporations, which did not bode well for the interests of the common people.

Richard M. Duncan opened the meeting and called attention to the gop endorsement of all of the republican platforms from Harding to Hyde, and then the kicking out of Marshall, and then showed the reasons why the corporations wanted McIninch.

Mrs. Herbert A. Owen made a speech in which she asked all democratic women to come out and vote the ticket and also reminded them that they need pay no attention to how their husband voted—if he did not vote the democratic ticket. Her speech brought her great and deserved applause.

Mrs. Frank J. Stever and Mrs. Porter Srite also made happy addresses, and handled the questions well.

William Reiter made an eloquent appeal for the soldier candidates, as well as for the other democrats on the ticket. J. R. Clay and all of the candidates made addresses, and the meeting closed amid great enthusiasm.

Edson Praised the Ticket

In opening the big meeting in the Eighth ward at Twelfth's Hall Tuesday night, Walter Edson, the demo-

BE CAREFUL BOYS!

The New State Law on Circular Work May Land You in the Jug.

Now that a city campaign is on here in full force, it may not be out of place to warn the boys who have been in the habit of getting out soul-harrowing circulars and handbills, to look out what they circulate as the new state law makes for a fine of not less than \$100 and six months in jail for disobeying its provisions. Here is the law:

"Section 5048 Laws 1919 says: Printed matter—must have names printed—when—how—It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person or group of persons, or any firm, organization, association, league or other body or any members thereof to publish, circulate or distribute any pamphlet, circular, handbill or other printed matter relative to the candidacy of any person or persons seeking nomination or election to any public office unless the same shall bear thereon in plain type the name and address of the person or persons, or the names and addresses of the officers of any firm, organization, association, league or other body, causing such matter to be published and distributed, and in the event that two or more persons join in causing said matter to be published and distributed, then the names of each of such persons shall be imprinted thereon in plain type: Provided, that if more than ten persons join in publishing and distributing such matter, then it will be sufficient compliance with this section if the names of ten such persons shall be imprinted thereon in plain type as herein provided."

GOPS TO CLOSE TONIGHT

As Manager Philley (of McIninch and the Lyceum) owns a speaking place, the Lyceum will be used tonight for the closing effort of the gops, at which time another effort will be made to prove that the Combe Printing Co. never had a strike; that with \$250,000 more revenue last year than was ever before given to a party to spend that there are NOT MORE holes in the streets and worse sidewalks than ever before known in the history of St. Joseph; and to further try to prove that George Starmer, Eddie Burke, Nate Peterson, Jake Bretz, Jack Haight and the other democratic campaign boosters are horse thieves and billy goat rustlers.

SUPT. OAKERS STANDS HIGH HERE

Prof. W. M. Oakerson, now head of the public school system at Jefferson City, is an avowed and announced candidate for the nomination for state superintendent of schools on the Democratic ticket. Prof. Oakerson, who is extremely well known here on account of the fact that he made a great reputation in Nodaway county where he formerly resided, is the favorite in St. Joseph, and will poll almost the entire party vote in the primary.

SIEMENS TURNS DOWN POLICE DEMAND

When Secretary Rensch of the police department applied to Comptroller Siemens Wednesday for \$6,500.00, the pay roll for the half month ending March 31, the comptroller told him there was nothing doing as the police department now had on hand some \$8,000 which they had saved on their appropriation, and which they could use for the pay roll. However, on Thursday he reversed himself and honored the requisition.

BOUNCED AND HIRED POLICE OFFICERS

The police commissioners had a fire and hire session Monday afternoon. Patrolman F. W. Wallace, who searched a dwelling house while alleged to be intoxicated, was fired; Edward Stevenson, a chauffeur, was fired because he was a too careless driver; Patrolman Fred Guntiesburg was laid off ten days for drinking; and Edward Cox and W. J. Allison were appointed chauffeurs.

1 MINUTE AND 50 SECONDS

That Was the Space Time Allotted by the Gop Bosses to McIninch.

It only required a minute and fifty seconds for gop candidate George E. McIninch to tell all that he could to the crowd that assembled at Eclipse Hall on St. Joseph Avenue and Woodson street Monday night, where the gop city campaign was opened with a burst of soda—and much eclat. As his bosses, Morris, Morgan and Philley, were able to coach him for an exhibition speech for that length of time (1½ minutes) and he could keep track that long he did not make such a bad stagger—but all that he said would not fill one of Tom Hoy's campaign song books.

City Counselor Lindsey spent all of his time trying to show where Senator James A. Reed "and his henchmen" were trying to elect Whitsett in order to get control of something, though what that something was, even the speaker was hazy and floundered on to other topics less dangerous as soon as he could—and it is well that he did for should ever Senator Reed take the stump here he will send all of the lilliputians now so ferociously attacking him skurrying like rabbits for the first brush patch. Reed has as much to do with this campaign as President Harding.

A preacher, would-be politician named Baker whose indiscreet remarks in a sermon caused the Democrats to ask him to get off the ticket and who had himself "called for" or "elected" considerable noise giving the Democrats Hall Columbia for kicking him out, but his trade lost its savor when he declared for a party school board election—and did not even get a hand clap.

TO VOTE DEMOCRATIC

How You May Help to Win a Great Democratic Victory Next Tuesday.

When you go into the voting booth next Tuesday—and you are going there for you want to help to get St. Joseph out of the rut by electing a democratic mayor, his assistants and a full council, you will find yourself handed a blank ballot. Take it—do what is told you below being sure each time to mark the names of democrats and the good work will be done.

Disregard the circle at the head of the ticket under the party title and place a cross in front of the NAME OF EVERY DEMOCRAT ON THE TICKET and you are sure to have done your duty and have voted for St. Joseph.

The proper way—and the only way—to absolutely eliminate any element of chance, is to vote as you are directed in the first paragraph—vote the Democratic ticket STRAIGHT.

TWELVE TAKEN TO JEFFERSON CITY

Sheriff Kueker started the week well when on Monday he accompanied by guards John Brown, W. R. Busch and John Courtney escorted a bunch of twelve to the Jefferson City pen. The crowd was made up of Emil Johnson, five years for robbery; Albert Johnson, five years for robbery; J. M. Bushline, four years for forgery; Ted Hodgins, Paul Blackford and Theodore Washington, two years for forgery; Norman Hoyt and Louis Granger, two years for grand larceny; Jack O'Neill and John Smith, two years for burglary; Will Hill, two years for larceny from a railroad car; and Harry Tracy, two years for larceny.

SENATOR BOWKER VISITS THE CITY

Senator W. M. Bowker of Nevada, a leading candidate for the nomination for Judge of the Supreme Court, Division No. 2, was in the city Thursday and met with the leading democrats, on whom he made a most favorable impression. Senator Bowker is one of the best known Democrats of the state.

LONG IN NORTHWEST MISSOURI

JEFFERSON CITY, March 30.—The Long-for-Senator headquarters here are well pleased with the reception that was tendered Mr. Long on his recent trip through a number of counties in Northwest Missouri. He was greeted by many friends at Chillicothe. He made his first visit to Grundy county, where he received many assurances of support.

Judge Allen on Wednesday granted the writ of habeas corpus in the case of C. F. Thompson of Kansas City and he will be released to the Kansas asylum. Thompson murdered a Kansas City stockman and has been confined in No. 2 here.

ARE HAVING A DICKENS OF A TIME EXPLAINING

HOW IT CAME THAT THE DEMOCRATS POLLED SO HEAVILY IN MAINE

WHERE GREAT GAINS HAVE BEEN RECORDED

Senator Norris of Nebraska, One of the Big Republicans of the Middle West, Says That His Party Has No More Right to Break the Civil Service Rules Now Than It Has in Power Than It Had Before and Also That a Halt be Called in Their Direction.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—(Correspondence.)—Referring to the announced intention of Senator Harrison (Dem., Miss.) to have this matter investigated, Senator Norris said:

"I want to say to those Republicans who are clamoring only for the spoils of office for somebody, who are asking the taxpayers of the country to foot the bill while they pay their personal debts and obligations with office, that they are not as good Republicans as I am. I want to keep the pledge that we made. They are going to violate it. I believe after election in enforcing the civil service law just as we said before election we would. I want to say to those who are now asking that the civil service rules be set aside, or who are defending, without reason and without cause, the president, even though he be our candidate, for setting them aside and putting the offices on the political pie counter, that I do not believe they are good Republicans. They are violating the Republican pledge. In my judgment no man can do a better service, even to his party, than to expose it when he thinks it is wrong, when its officials have violated the law, and to assist in bringing about an investigation to let the people of the United States know it all in detail."

"So I repeat that neither the Senator from Mississippi nor any other

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With \$250,000 more revenue to spend last year than ever before known in the history of St. Joseph, this city now has more holes in its streets and worse sidewalks than at any time since the time of Joe Robidoux.

ALWAYS SLOWS DOWN

Barney Oldfield Always Stops, Looks and Listens at Railroad Crossings.

Reckless handling of automobiles and disregard for the law on the part of many drivers is rapidly bringing to the minds of the general public the real need of something being done to curb such drivers, and impose upon them the duty of using ordinary care in the handling of their machines that accidents and resulting injuries and deaths might be reduced to the minimum. The railroads are doing all in their power to educate and interest the drivers of cars and others in this very important matter, but the drivers themselves must ultimately be reached and their assistance obtained. The thoughts of America's greatest driver seems to be what is really needed and it might be of interest to your readers to know what our friend Barney Oldfield has to say:

"Barney Oldfield states that never in a road race or on any occasion did he cross a railroad at a speed, or with his car in direct drive; he has always slowed down and shifted to second before crossing. He slows down to look and listen and crosses in second to eliminate the chance of a stalled motor."

WOULD START MORE SALARIES

A Dr. McKeever, who has blown over here from Kansas to tell the people here how to conduct their own affairs, has a scheme to conduct the city on a "ten department plan," he outlining what the departments should consist of. Of course the good Kansas doc tells his hearers that it "costs a little" to run a city under such a plan—but he neglects to tell how many more barnacles it will fasten on to the city pay roll.

STILL JOGGING ALONG TO NORMALCY

Notice of the filing of an involuntary petition in bankruptcy against Joseph A. Hammer, an Alleandale, Mo., merchant, was served Wednesday afternoon by Deputy United States Marshal Sampson. The complainants are: Okey & Andrews, I. J. Dalberg, and the Grant City Produce Company, all of Grant City.

HAD TO STRIKE EIGHTEEN MONTHS

Every printer and newspaper man in St. Joseph knows that in 1908 the printers at the Combe Printing plant had to strike to get an eight hour day—and they had to strike eighteen months before they finally won—and yet Mr. McIninch in his minute and fifty-second speech says his concern "never had a strike."

SIXTY THOUSAND MORE DEMOCRATS TO VOTE

WILL RETURN TO THE RESERVATION AFTER VOTING FOR AND GETTING "THAT CHANGE"

OF WHICH THEY HAVE HAD MORE THAN PLENTY

The Advent of Senator Reed Into the Democratic Primary Will Bring Out Such a Vote as Has Not Been Known Since the Days When the Brass Bands and Torch Light Processions Brought All of the Boys Out of the Brush to Hear the Orators.

JEFFERSON CITY, March 28.—(Correspondence.)—The entry of Senator James A. Reed into the race for the democratic nomination for United States Senator puts the "pep" into the contest necessary to bring out a huge record-breaking party vote at the August primary. While he has not as yet filed for the place, that act is merely a perfunctory official obligation which can be done in short order any time between now and June 1, next. The other two contestants for the place, Brock Long of St. Louis and Robert L. Young of St. Joseph, are already on record as candidates in the office of the secretary of state for this huge democratic honor. It is probable that several other party gladiators will enter this tournament.

While Judge Ewing Cockrell of Warrensburg has been frequently mentioned by newspapers published in that neck of the woods as a possibility he may finally file to succeed himself as circuit judge in that, the Seventh judicial circuit. His term of six years expires with the close of 1922. Former Congressman Joshua M. Alexander of Gallatin, who is a democratic delegate-at-large to the coming state constitutional convention, has also been suggested as available timber, and so have Judges Daniel G. (Continued on Page Five)

THE MISFIT AMBASSADOR

Misfit Ambassador, across the bridge deep. Get for home. You make all Americans feel cheap. Get for home. Listen to those patriotic shout. Get for home. And they know what they're about. Get for home.

(CHORUS)

Get for home, Get for home. Get for home, Toady Bruno. Get for home.

You are sure a great misfit. Get for home; All Americans look for grit. Get for home;

You gave our flag a dirty splash. Get for home; You will feel the nation's lash. Get for home.

(CHORUS)

You gave our boys the dart. Get for home; This you did right at the start. Get for home;

War was over when you reached it. Get for home; That's about the way you preached it. Get for home.

(CHORUS)

You have won the soldier's scorn. Get for home; For a scoundrel so born. Get for home;

The great nation feels the hurt. Get for home; And the boys play use the quirt. Get for home.

(CHORUS)

Come vacation, it is yours to command. Get for home; Show true Americans you have sand. Get for home;

Get him out of great court scenes. Get for home; For he always spills the beans. Get for home.

(CHORUS)

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A. H. GREENE.

Oregon, Mo.

LIKE THE ONE THAT THE SENATE SHELVED

IS THE BONUS BILL WHICH THE HOUSE PASSED FRIDAY

IT SATISFIES NEITHER SOLDIER OR CITIZEN

Since Walter E. Brown of Ohio Was Appointed to a Place on the Congressional Commission Which Body Had to Do With Making Savings for the Taxpayers the Organization Has Appeared to be Chloroformed as All of the Savings Made Have Again Been Dropped Down for the Plum Gatherer.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—(Special Correspondence.)—The House has at last passed another bonus bill, though almost identical in form with the one passed two years ago and which the Senate laid on the shelf at Harding's request. It remains to be seen what will be done with the present bill, with all of Wall Street opposing it. The bill itself is satisfactory to no one. The soldier whose "adjusted compensation" entitled him to less than \$50 can get it in cash; the others have to take a certificate of indebtedness which finally becomes due in 20 years. Meanwhile, if he wants to get money, he has to borrow it at a bank and pay a larger rate of interest than the certificate bears, though the certificate is as much the obligation of the government as is a Treasury bond and should entitle the owner to the lowest rate of interest at which money can be borrowed. It is difficult to understand why the soldier should be allowed to borrow only 50 per cent of the face value of the certificate; almost any bank will lend 75 per cent of the market value of a certificate of stock in a railroad or industrial corporation if the stock is listed on the (Continued on Page Six)

Go to the polls Tuesday, every man and woman who loves St. Joseph and wants this splendid city to prosper, and give it the chance to do so by voting the Democratic ticket.

NOT NOW BUT—

Henry Dillingham Appreciates the Honor Tendered But Cannot Consent Just Now.

There are no better democrats in the United States than Judge Henry L. Dillingham of Platte county, who is as rock-ribbed and substantial in his belief as is his grand old county. In the list of prospective candidates for Congress in this district, printed in this paper last week, Judge Dillingham was prominently mentioned, and it will be regretted by his hundreds of friends in St. Joseph that he feels the way that his letter which follows indicates—but there may be a difference—his says:

To the Editor of The Observer: "To be mentioned as a prospective candidate for Congress, in a good Democratic paper like yours, with such distinguished men as James H. Mayer, Grover Cleveland, Charles H. Hays, and others, I assure you is a much appreciated honor. I am not a candidate at this time. "I am in hopes that the Democrats of this state will, with sober thought, select for representatives, state senators, circuit judges, congressmen and state officers men of ability and integrity. If this is done, I am sure Missouri will be returned to the Democratic fold by a large majority."

HENRY L. DILLINGHAM, Platte City, Mo., March 30, 1922.

THE BRIDGES ARE NEARLY COMPLETED

The steel bridges which are being constructed over the drainage ditch east of the city and over the Pike's Peak and the Saxton-Easton road are all being pushed and will be completed in a short time for use for the spring hauling. The drainage ditch work is also progressing rapidly.

The Ad Club at its luncheon on Monday set the ball to rolling which is expected to put the famous Lotus Club house in shape for the season. The street railway will donate its use rent free and it is proposed to raise a membership of 1,000 at \$5 each to finance the deal and make the place the most pleasant in this section during the entire summer.

WHY MORE HOLES IN THE STREETS?

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ARE TIRED OF BILL

Philadelphia's Great Club Refuses to Listen to Him Talk Before It Sunday.

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 30.—Homer greeted William Jennings Bryan, former secretary of state, when he attempted the presidency of the City Club here this afternoon. Mr. Bryan, who was scheduled to make a fund-raising address to the members, left the club without delivering the speech. The chairman of his visit was to pay tribute to T. Henry Walnut, who was delivering an address to the members, telling them the inside story of why he was ousted from office as assistant United States district attorney.

Mr. Bryan and Joseph P. Berry were going to attend the luncheon to make an address after Walnut finished speaking. They arrived forty-five minutes after Walnut had started his address and listened ten minutes to Walnut. Then Joseph Haggerty, a member of the club, said: "I hope you will pardon me for interrupting you Mr. Walnut, but we have with us Mr. William Jennings Bryan. Mr. Bryan can stay only a few moments and I thought possibly he might interrupt you for five minutes to make an address. Mr. Bryan is here now."

Instantly the room was in an uproar. Cries of "no, no, no" rang out followed by hisses similar to those bestowed on the villain of the melodramas of years ago. The hisses were followed by shouts of "Walnut, Walnut, we want Walnut!" "We will hear Bryan Sunday afternoon," someone shouted.

Mr. Bryan and Bishop Berry backed from the room into the hallway. The Commoner shook his head from side to side. The calls for Walnut in the room still continued and everyone seemed to be talking at once.

Then a motion that Walnut be allowed to proceed without interruption was carried and followed by mere cheers.

Immediately after that Mr. Bryan made his exit.

Instead of vilifying and abusing good democratic citizens like Starmer, Burke, Haight, Peterson, Bretz et al, why don't you Mr. gop campaign orator show the people JUST ONE GOOD THING that your administration HAS DONE FOR ST. JOSEPH in the past two years of your incumbency?

BEGINS NEXT MONDAY

All Next Week Will be Arbor Week and Friday Will be Arbor Day.

Beginning tomorrow, Arbor Week will be observed in and the splendid custom of planting trees started so auspiciously when J. Sterling Morton of Nebraska was secretary of agriculture, will be continued in ever-increasing proportions. Gov. Hyde has issued his proclamation designating the week and also next Friday as Arbor Day, when every person in the United States who does his duty should plant a tree or shrub.

St. Joseph people will observe "Arbor and Tree Planting Week" by following the requests of the governor. St. Joseph has one of the largest and best nurseries in the state and the prospect that to do is to go there, select a tree or shrub and plant it next week.

SIMS CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

On March 31, 1872, at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Daniel L. Sims and Miss Sarah S. Kaye were married. In 1877 they located in this city and Mr. Sims followed the service of the Burlington where he remained until 1884, when he went with the Grand Island and for twenty-eight years ran a train for that line, retiring eleven years ago. On yesterday at the home of their daughter Mrs. Jennie K. Wyatt 1304 South Twentieth street, they met their friends and received their best wishes. Mrs. Wyatt and her other daughter, Mrs. Charles Hensley, did the honors of the splendid occasion. The couple are enjoying good health.

BROUGHT IN THREE BOND JUMPERS

Stephen K. Owen and J. F. Van Arsdale, the delinquent, returned from Denver Wednesday morning. When they started out, it looked as though they had a circus parade on tap. They had three bond jumpers, Roy Cox who pumped a \$1,000 bond on which John S. Boyer and Owen were sureties, William Brown, a Tremont, Mo., \$1,000 jumper, and the price Gradenich, who has a string of stolen who jump a \$1,000 bond—was for her by Ralph Polkay and Tom Kegan. All were locked up.